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	Surveys in progress
1.	Ramagundum-Manguru
2.	Cumbum-Proddatur
3.	Kondapalli-Kothagudam
4.	Koyagudam-Tadikalapudi
5.	*Markapur Rd-Srisallem*
6.	Gudur-Durgarajapatnam
7.	Gadwal-Macherla
8.	Puttaparthy to Kadiri *via* Nallamada

Bid for advertisements on railway coaches

1648. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to bid for advertisements on Railway coaches;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how much earning would be expected from the advertisements on railway coaches?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Policy guidelines already exist for commercial advertising on railway coaches through competitive bidding. There are various schemes of commercial advertising on interior and exterior of the trains like display of advertisement panels, vinyl wrapping of coaches, packages of advertising rights on trains etc.

(c) An amount of Rs. 99.50 crore has been earned through commercial publicity from April, 07 to Dec., 07 which includes earnings through publicity on trains. Various new ideas/ schemes for commercial advertising on trains are being tried and it is expected to earn a handsome amount.

Tatkal Sewa charges

1649. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the effective Tatkal Sewa charges for busy season and off season;

(b) whether it is a fact that instead of a separate 72 berth coach for Tatkal Sewa 10 per cent of the seats in all categories of coaches are used for Tatkal Sewa and thereby deprive routine facility passengers;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Tatkal Sewa passengers are required to pay full fare from originating station to destination even if they board or drop in between on that route; and

(d) how much second class sleeper fare including Tatkal Sewa fare is charged for Jamnagar to Kanpur on Okha-Guwahati route and what is the actual fare for Jamnagar-Kanpur?